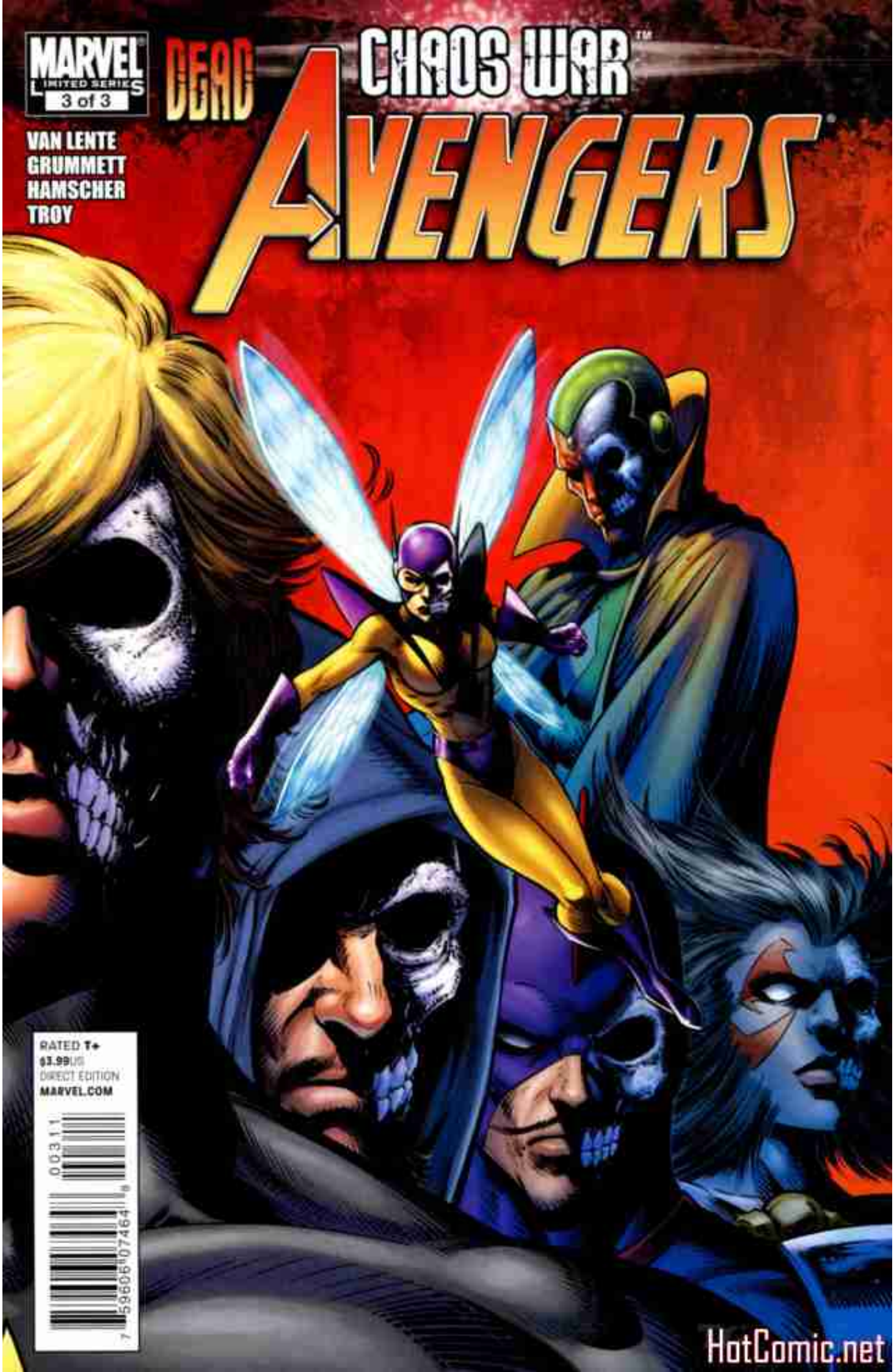
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IN THE MARVEL UNIVERSE, GODS WALK THE EARTH.

SOME SIDE WITH HEROES. OTHERS SPREAD DREAD AND DESPAIR.

ONE GOD CARES FOR NEITHER. HE IS THE CHAOS KING.

AND HE WILL STOP AT NOTHING TO END EVERYTHING WITH HIS

CHAOS WAR

CHAOS KING HAS UNDONE THE WORLD, PLUNGING THE LIVING INTO ETERNAL SLEEP AND FREEING THE DEAD TO WALK THE EARTH.
SIX FORMER AVENGERS, RISEN FROM THEIR GRAVES, MUST DEFEND THE SLEEPING FORMS OF EVERY LIVING AVENGER FROM THE GRIM REAPER...
...OR DIE TRYING!

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VISION.
ON THE EVE OF UNIVERSAL ANNIHILATION YOU CANNOT LET GO OF YOUR POINTLESS VENDETTA AGAINST THE AVENGERS?
YOUR INABILITY TO CHANGE ALMOST SEEMS AN ARGUMENT FOR REALITY'S DESTRUCTION.
UNFAIR. ANDROID--UNFAIR! I CAN TOO CHANGE.
EXAMPLE: ONCE I DESPISED YOU BECAUSE ULTRON USED BRAINWAVE PATTERNS FROM MY DEAD BROTHER SIMON AS THE BASIS FOR WHAT YOU CALL A "PERSONALITY!"
BUT THAT WAS BEFORE YOUR MAD MUTIE WIFE USED YOU TO BLOW UP AVENGERS MANSION--AND YOU WERE RIPPED APART BY SHE-HULK.
YOU'VE DONE FAR MORE DAMAGE TO THE AVENGERS THAN I EVER HAVE.
YOU'RE LIKE THE BROTHER I NEVER H--
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THE POWER OF THE *CHAOS KING* SURGES THROUGH ME. THAT SEETHING VOID CAN SCRAMBLE YOUR MOLECULES IF YOU'RE NOT CAREFUL.
BUT I WAS *SERIOUS*. VISION. SIMON SIDED WITH THE AVENGERS AGAINST ME.
WHEN YOU WIPED OUT THEIR HEADQUARTERS, YOU BECAME TRUER FAMILY TO ME THAN HE EVER WAS.

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SO I SHOW YOU REAPER'S MERCY.

THERE!
NO...
A SECRET ENTRANCE--TO THE OLYMPUS GROUP?
HAHAHA HAH!!
I WASN'T SUPPOSED TO REVEAL THIS ENTRANCE--MO--WITHOUT MAR-VELL--WITHOUT HIS LEADERSHIP--
I'M SCREWING EVERYTHING UP! I DON'T BELONG HERE. I NEVER HAVE! YOU'RE BETTER OFF WITHOUT ME!
WAIT--WHERE--
BEAUTIFUL! WE'LL SNEAK IN RIGHT UNDER THEIR BARRIERS!
DEATH TO THE AVENGERS!!

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USELESS...THREE CHANCES I'VE HAD TO MASTER MY TEMPER...
AND EACH TIME...I HAVE FAILED...
EVEN DEATH HAS ABANDONED ME TO SHAME.
SHARRA NERAMANI.
SHARRA NERAMANI.
MY...TRUE NAME...
HAS NOT REACHED MY EARS FOR...
MAR-VELL...?
THE ENTITY EON GAVE YOUR FRIEND COSMIC AWARENESS TO BECOME PROTECTOR OF THE UNIVERSE. AND NOW, TO STAND ATHWART THE END OF ALL. ANOTHER MUST POSSESS IT...
...AND THE POWER CHOOSES YOU.
NO... I AM NOT WORTHY...
THEN MAKE YOURSELF SO, SHARRA NERAMANI...
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"...FOR EVERYTHING, EVEN YOUR DOUBTS, ARE ALMOST OUT OF TIME."
-OHHUFF!?-
WHAT'S WRONG WITH HIM? LIKE HE'S HAVING A NIGHTMARE--
BUT HIS EYES ARE OPEN!
SO? I STILL CAN'T WAKE HIM--
-OHHUFF!?-
AAAGGHH!
NEKRA'S HATE--SEEPING LIKE A SICKNESS IN EVERY PORE--
TRIPLE GODDESS! HEAR MY PLEA!
SHOW ME THE WAY!

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DOCTOR DRUID
WHO COMES TO THE SACRED OAK CIRCLE?
AN INITIATE, SEEKING MYSTERIES.
YOU APPROACH NAKED OF PRETENSE AND POSTURE?
UNCLOTHED IN MIND AND BODY.
YOU ENTER BEREFT OF HOPE AND FEAR?
MIND LIKE UNFORMED FLESH. THE "MOTHER STATE," AWAITING THE GODDESS' IMPRINT.
NAME YOURSELF FOR THE FINAL TIME. FOR YOU ARE ABOUT TO BE REBORN IN THE GATE BETWEEN LIFE AND DEATH, NATURE AND SUPERNATURE.
IT IS I, DOCTOR ANTHONY LUDGATE. CHILD OF EARTH AND STARRY HEAVEN.
NO MORE.
YOU HAVE BEEN THRUST FROM THE WORLD'S WOMB TO WHERE BIRTH AND DEATH, DARK AND LIGHT, JOY AND PAIN, MEET AND MAKE ONE.
FOREVER MORE.
YOUR TRUE NAME IS DRUID.
AND WITH YOUR THIRD EYE SEE THE PAST AND FUTURE AS ONE.
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I... I SEE.
THANK YOU, GODDESS.
THANK YOU!
EVERYONE! LISTEN TO ME!
OUR ENEMIES FAST APPROACH FROM BELOW!
WE MUST PROTECT THESE HELPLESS AVENGERS AT ALL COSTS!
GUIDE THEM UP TO THE ROOF—AT THE MOMENT IT IS THE SAFEST PLACE!
I WILL HOLD OFF PURSUIT AS BEST I CAN!
YOU'VE CHANGED YOUR TUNE.
WHAT HAPPENED TO YOU SAYING WHAT WE WERE DOING WASN'T ALL NATURAL AND SUCH?
I WAS WRONG. THERE IS NOTHING MORE NATURAL THAN THE STRUGGLE.
WE SPEAK--WE STRIVE--WE DREAM.
BY ANY DEFINITION--WE LIVE.
AND THAT IS TOO PRECIOUS A THING TO EVER WILLINGLY GIVE UP!
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I STAND *WITH* YOU, DRUID--TO THE VERY END--
AAGHH!
NO, SWORDSMAN!
I NEED YOU TO PROTECT THESE PEOPLE--LEAD THEM TO HIGHER GROUND!
BUT--
YOU'VE FOUND A CAUSE WORTH FIGHTING FOR--NOT *DYING* FOR! *DON'T THROW AWAY YOUR SECOND CHANCE!*
UP, MAN! *UP!*

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YES, SWORDSMAN.
SO.
THESE MINIONS OF NOTHINGNESS WILL REAP THEIR OWN VOID.
I SHALL PROTECT WHAT IS LEFT OF THE UNIVERSE--UNTIL THE LAST STAR IS SNUFFED OUT.
I AM SHARRA NERAMANI, WHO HAS EARNED BACK HER NAME!
I AM LIFECRY.
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THIS SOUNDS COMPLETELY INSANE--SO IT MUST BE A PLAN I AM INVOLVED WITH.
ALL RIGHT-- YOU HEARD THEM! UPSTAIRS! NOW! J'Y VAIS!
NNGGYYAAAA!
I BEAT YOU ONCE! I CAN DO IT AGAIN!
NO. YOU HAVE NEVER FACED ME BEFORE.
THIS IS OUR FIRST BATTLE.
AND OUR LAST.
DEATHCRY, BE CAREFUL-- SHE--
SHRAAK
AAGGHHH!

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KAHAHA HAHA...
DID IT... PROVED TO THAT STUCK-UP...
HATE... OVERWHELMS... LIFE...
NOW... I THINK...
WE NEED TO FIND...A DOCTOR AMONG OUR VASSALS...
YOU'LL DO THAT FOR ME, WON'T YOU, ERIC... KAFF
ERIC?!
ERIC... WHERE ARE YOU GOING...
HAH! MADE IT!
DIDN'T GET TO CHOOSE MY DEATH... UNTIL NOW.
THIS... IS A GOOD ONE...
AND I CAN LOOK MY FINAL MOMENT STRAIGHT IN THE EYE...
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WUBOOOOM
SWORDSMAN, IS THAT YOU?
START LOADING EVERYBODY INSIDE!
LUCKY THIS THING HANDLES SAME AS THE OLD QUINJETS...
YES. PLEASE. GET EVERYONE ON THAT THING.
SO I CAN SHOOT IT OUT OF THE SKY AND KILL ALL OF YOU AT ONCE.
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DID YOU EVER MEET MY FATHER, ERIC?
ULTRON.
HE TOLD ME I COULD NOT BE HUMAN IF I DID NOT DIE.
I WAS WONDERING WHY I CAME HERE, WITH THE OTHERS, WHEN I WAS BUILT RATHER THAN BORN.
NOW I REALIZE WHY.
THANK YOU FOR SHOWING ME.
I BECAME HUMAN BY DYING, FOR THOSE I LOVE AND IN A CAUSE I BELIEVE IN.
BE HUMAN WITH ME IN YOUR FINAL HOURS, ERIC.
AS YOU POINTED OUT, I DESTROYED AVENGERS MANSION.
LET GO OF ME, YOU FILTHY ANDROID!! LET GO!!
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YELLOWJACKET

MS. DEMARA?
PLEASE COME IN.
IS THIS YOUR FIRST INTERVIEW FOR MEMBERSHIP?
YEAH, I DIDN'T. UH...
...I DIDN'T KNOW IF I WAS SUPPOSED TO WEAR MY COSTUME OR WHAT...
WHAT YOU HAVE ON IS FINE, I'M SURE. TEA?
NO, THANKS... DON'T THINK MY STOMACH CAN HANDLE IT...

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MISS DEMARA?
ARE YOU HERE?
"I FEEL...WORTHY, SWORDSMAN.
"FOR THE FIRST TIME...
"I FEEL WORTHY."
MISS DEMARA?
END

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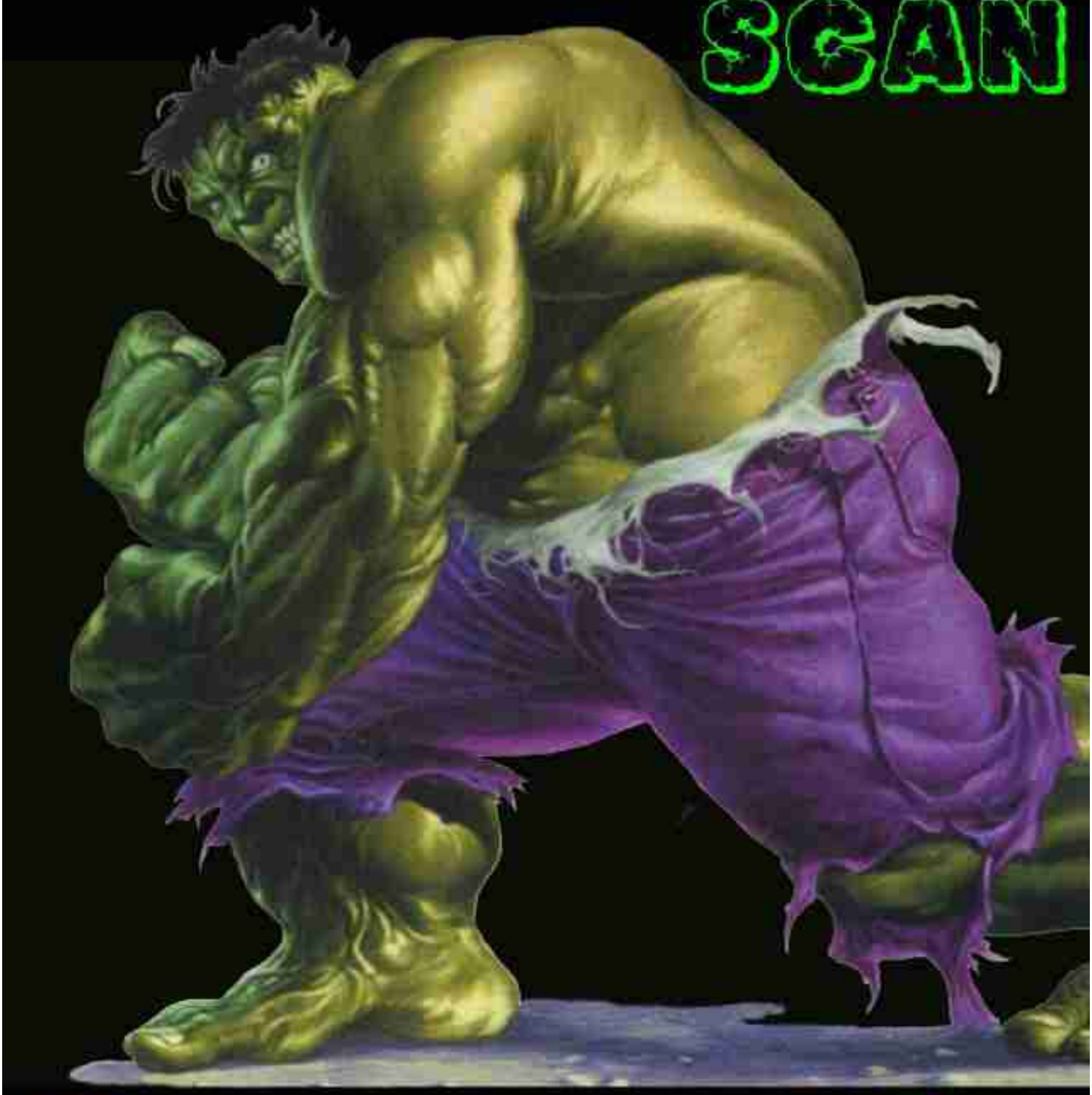

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